



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Aiken County Career Center
Grades: 10-12 Enrollment: 586
Director: Brooks Smith
Superintendent: Brooks Smith
Board Chair: Mrs. Rosemary B. English

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	N/A	N/A
2013	Excellent	Good	GOLD	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
29	8	3	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 05/18/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
499	96.4%	90.3%

GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
124	95.2%	93.0%

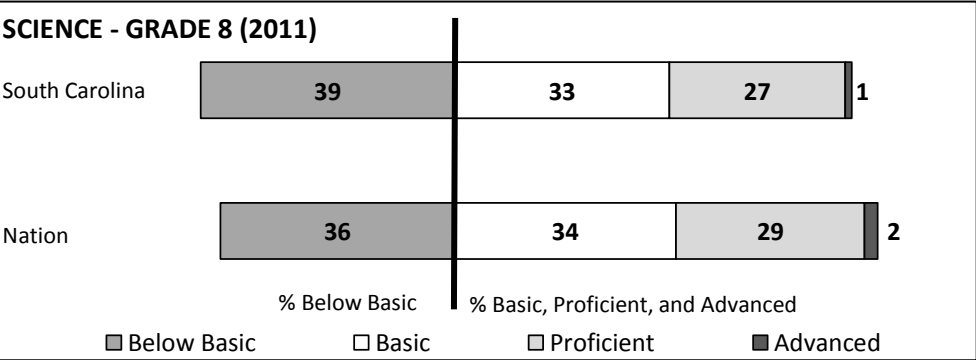
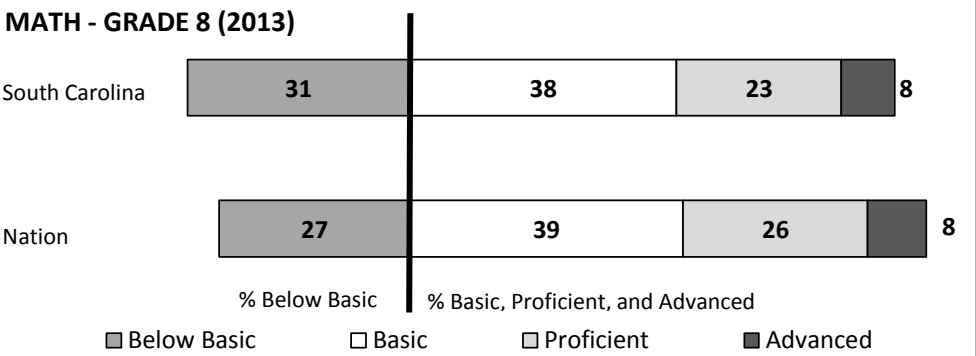
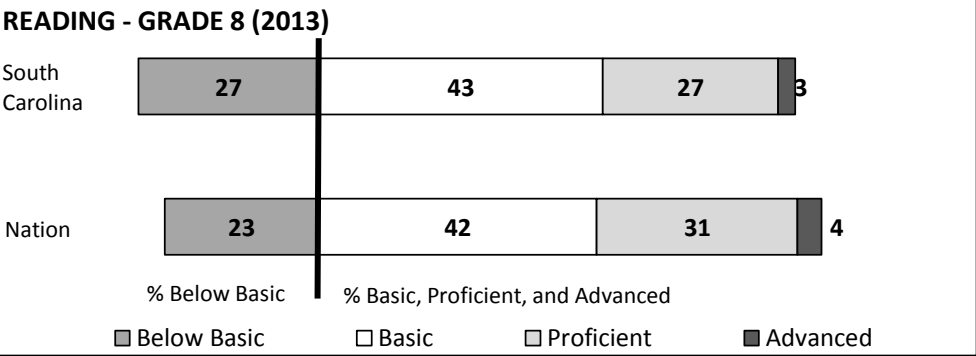
PLACEMENT RATE

The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
353	96.0%	96.9%

NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

TBD-To Be Determined

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CENTER PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n = 586)			
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	30.5%	Up from 11.5%	24.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	586	Up from 573	586
Students participating in work-based experiences	23.5%	Up from 19.4%	19.0%
Teachers (n = 18)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	16.7%	Up from 11.1%	25.0%
Continuing contract teachers	55.6%	Down from 72.2%	74.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.6%	Down from 87.7%	90.5%
Teacher attendance rate	93.6%	Down from 96.3%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,665	Down 0.4%	\$48,775
Professional development days/teacher	15.7 days	Up from 13.4 days	13.2 days
Center			
Director's years at center	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent expenditures for instruction**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Parents attending conferences	56.0%	Up from 51.8%	85.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
**Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	7	177	51
Percent satisfied with learning environment	I/S	91.6%	88.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	I/S	92.7%	86.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	I/S	90.9%	69.4%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Students attending the Aiken County Career and Technology Center and completing four or more credits in one skill area are designated as completers. This year 154 of our students will receive the distinction of being completers in their chosen field of study. This is a major accomplishment for these students, and with many completing national certifications in their specific area of training, these students are well on their way to entering the workforce as confident, productive citizens.

Because of the engagement and real world learning opportunities, students attending the Career Center have maintained over a ninety-five percent graduation rate in recent years. For the 13th straight year, our Cosmetology students had 100 percent passage rate on the state licensing exam. Our partnership with engine manufacturer MTU continues to grow as one of the only registered youth apprenticeship programs in the United States. This year three of our students completed the 1600 hours of training and will earn internationally recognized credentials. As this award winning program continues to gain national recognition, eleven more students will be completing this work based training.

We are proud of the individual and collective accomplishments of our students. Many have excelled at the state and national level, with some holding state offices in Career and Technology Student Organizations. Some of our notable accomplishments this year included our apprenticeship program being featured in The New York Times.

As we continue to enthusiastically assist our students toward achieving success at our school and beyond, we welcome and appreciate the continued support from our parents, industry partners and community.

Brooks Smith
Director/Principal

Kristen Medlin
CTE Advisory Council Chair